

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the first paragraph on page 9 of the specification from lines 1-11 as follows:

Figure 2 shows the dust collecting receptacle 7. The housing portion 11 open at the bottom is closed by the receptacle bottom 15. The receptacle bottom 15 has a filter housing 24 which holds a filter mat 25 which at least completely covers an air outlet opening 26. The air outlet opening 26 can be lengthened in a tubular fashion to form an immersion pipe. The filter mat 25 retains the dust in the dust collecting receptacle 7. The receptacle bottom 15 is pivotally mounted on the housing portion 11 by means of a hinge which is not shown. Locating lugs 27 moulded on the housing portion 11 engage in web sections 28 which comprise ~~recesses 28~~ recesses 29. The locating ~~lugs 26~~ lugs 27 and the web sections 28 with the recesses 29 form closure elements 30 for unlocking and locking the receptacle bottom 15 on the housing portion 11.

Please amend the specification by adding an Abstract as follows: